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The response, filed on 8/4/03, is non-responsive to the prior Office Action, mailed 3/11/03. The claims have not been properly amended. Several words have changed in the new set of claims without proper amending markings signifying these changes even though these words were clearly different in the previous set of claims. Examples of these improper word changes (due to lack of amending notation) include: (1) the word "intensifies" in claim 17, line 5, which was "intensities" in the previous claim set and (2) the word "comprising" in claim 23, line 5, which was "comparing" in the previous claim set. It is also noted that "biomolecule" is misspelled in claim 2, line 7.

Since the response appears to be bona fide, but failed to notate the amending of claims appropriately, applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of one month from the date of this letter or as extended as follows. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) OR (b) UP TO A MAXIMUM OF SIX MONTHS.**


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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Carolyn Smith, whose telephone number is (703) 308-6043. The examiner can normally be reached Monday through Thursday from 8 A.M. to 6:30 P.M.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael Woodward, can be reached on (703) 308-4028.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to Legal Instruments Examiner Tina Plunkett whose telephone number is (703) 305-3524 or to the Technical Center receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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